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Y'S DOCKET NUMBER SENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK ATTO: HS DEP FORM PTO-1390 OFFICE (REV 11-2000) 491332000300 TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5) DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) 10/018842 CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 371 PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. June 22, 1999 June21, 2000 PCT/BR00/00068 TITLE OF INVENTION SYNTHESIS OF A NOVEL PARAMAGNETIC AMINO ACID DERIVATIVE (EPM-5) FOR LABELLING CHEMICAL AND BIOLOGICAL **MACROMOLECULES** APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US Clovis Ryuichi NAKAIE et al. Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.  $\times$ This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371. 2. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21)  $\square$ The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (PCT Article 31). A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))  $\mathbf{X}$ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). has been communicated by the International Bureau. b.  $|\mathbf{x}|$ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). c.  $\Box$ An English language translation of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). П is attached hereto. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).  $\times$ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. П b. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. c. have not been made and will not be made. d.  $\boxtimes$ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). 8. An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 9.  $\boxtimes$ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). 10.

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